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Dear Examiner Patel:

Enclosed please find the following:

1. Supplemental Amendment Transmittal with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated March 2, 2004 (2 pages); and
2. Supplemental Amendment A (4pages).

Very respectfully,

Ronald E. Smith
Reg. No. 28,761

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Applicant: : Bobby J. Johnson
Filed: : 08/13/2003
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Examiner : Dhirubhai R. Patel
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For : Conduit Wall Interface with Sealant Port

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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is an independent inventor. A statement was already filed.

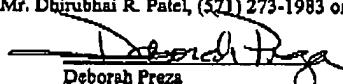
EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION
(37 C.F.R. 1.8 (a))

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Supplemental Amendment A, including Amendments to the Claims and Remarks, is being transmitted by facsimile to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Art Unit 2831, Attn: Mr. Dhirubhai R. Patel, (571) 273-1983 on March 2, 2004.

Dated: March 2, 2004


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FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

| (Col. 1) | (Col. 2) | (Col. 3) SMALL ENTITY | | |
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| Indep. 1 | Minus 3 | = 0 | x \$43 = | \$0 |
| First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim | | | + \$145 = | \$0 |
| | | | Total Addit. Fee | \$0 |

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No additional fee for claims is required.

Very respectfully,

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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT A

Sir:

In supplemental response to the non-final Examiner's Action mailed 11/13/2003, having a shortened statutory period for response that expired 02/13/2003, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings were filed February 11, 2004.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.